City Council

Notice of Motion

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Re-Opening and Amending Item 2024.IE14.6 - New Golden Mile Environmental Assessment - Interim Report - by Councillor Jennifer McKelvie, seconded by Councillor Parthi Kandavel

*Notice of this Motion has been given. *This Motion is subject to a re-opening of Item 2024.IE14.6 only as it pertains to the report routing and the reporting dates set out in Parts 2 and 3. *A two-thirds vote is required to re-open that Item. If re-opened, the previous Council decision remains in force unless Council decides otherwise.

Recommendations

Councillor Jennifer McKelvie, seconded by Councillor Parthi Kandavel, recommends that:

1. City Council amend its previous decision on Item 2024.IE14.6 by:

a. amending Part 2 by deleting the words "December 17, 2024" and replacing them with the words "February 5, 2025", and by deleting the words "Infrastructure and Environment Committee" and replacing them with the words "Executive Committee" so that Part 2 now reads as follows:.

2. City Council direct the General Manager, Transportation Services to report back no later than the February 5, 2025 meeting of City Council, through Executive Committee, to request City Council endorsement of the Preferred Designs and authority to prepare the Environmental Study Report and issue a Notice of Completion of Phases 3 and 4 of the ReNew Golden Mile Environmental Assessment in accordance with the requirements of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Process.

b. amending Part 3 by deleting the words "December 17, 2024" and replacing them with the words "February 5, 2025" so that Part 3 now reads as follows:

3. City Council direct the Interim Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning to report back no later than the February 5, 2025 Meeting of City Council, through Planning and Housing Committee, on amendments to the Official Plan, and the Zoning By-law, where necessary or required to support and/or align with the ReNew Golden Mile Environmental Assessment.

2. City Council request the General Manager, Transportation Services, to report on the appropriateness and the process requirements of a four vehicular lane design for the O'Connor Drive Reconfiguration and Extension from the ReNew Golden Mile Environmental

Assessment's western limit to Birchmount Drive as part of its final report on the Environmental Assessment.

Summary

At its meeting of June 26 and 27, 2024, City Council adopted decision Item IE14.6 which relates to the Phase 3 and Phase 4 ReNew Golden Mile Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (the "ReNew Golden Mile EA") which directed City staff to report by no later than the December 17-19, 2024 meeting of City Council on the ReNew Golden Mile Environmental Assessment, through Infrastructure and Environment Committee, and any required Official Plan Amendments and/or Zoning By-law Amendments through Planning and Housing Committee.

City Council added Part 5 to IE14.6 which directed additional consultation with affected landowners respecting the O'Connor Drive reconfiguration and extension.

This directed consultation is currently underway and staff require additional time to ensure individual landowner consultations can conclude, the mandatory public consultation process be complete and prepare the necessary final reports to Council for a final decision to conclude the Phase 3 and 4 ReNew Golden Mile Environmental Assessment.

The finalization of the Phase 3 and Phase 4 Re New Golden Mile Environmental Assessment will provide certainty in respect of the east-west alignment of O'Connor Drive, along with the finalization of other corridor alignments and street designs in the Golden Mile area that the Environmental Assessment is addressing, and allow City staff to proceed to the next phases of planning and implementation with the various landholdings to support increased housing supply and non-residential development in the appropriate locations.

Due to the 2025 Council and Committee meeting schedule of 2025, the next Infrastructure and Environment Committee meeting after November 27, 2024 is scheduled for February 27, 2025, which reports to the March 26-28, 2025 meeting of City Council.

To support City staff's ongoing consultation work, provide sufficient time to finalize reporting, and minimize delay in the directed December 17-19, 2024 Council final reporting, this motion recommends that Council re-open Decision Item IE14.6 to direct the ReNew Golden Mile EA report through Executive Committee on January 29, 2025, to City Council on February 5, 2025. The direction to City Planning would also be amended to continue to report through Planning and Housing Committee on January 23, 2025, but to align both reports to the same meeting of Council on February 5, 2025.

Additionally, this motion also recommends that City staff, as part of its final report, report on the appropriateness and process requirements of introducing a four vehicular lane (two lanes in each direction) O'Connor Drive from the western study limit to Birchmount Drive with a maximum right-of-way width of 27 metres. One of the area Councillors requested this be explored following Council's adoption of Item IE14.6.

Requires Re-opening

Item 2024.IE14.6 (June 26 and 27, 2024 City Council Meeting) only as it pertains to the report routing and the reporting dates set out in Parts 2 and 3.

Background Information (City Council)

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